



## MEDIA RELEASE

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### **MEDIA STATEMENT FROM NGĀPUHI RŪNANGA BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

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Acting Board Chair, Carol Dodd says “the board notes Raniera Tau’s court case has now been finalised following his sentencing earlier today”.

Mr Tau took leave of absence from all Ngāpuhi group governance positions in October 2015.

“The board will take advice and meet in the coming weeks to discuss and decide the next steps in regards to this matter. The Rūnanga, including the Board of Trustees will not comment further on matters relating to Mr Tau, until a further statement is released” says Mrs Dodd.

Meanwhile, it is business as usual at the Rūnanga with the recent appointment of a new Chief Executive, Tony Dowling, who joins us in November from his role as Director Innovation and Development at Te Wānanga o Aotearoa.

His appointment follows a lengthy and robust recruitment process which attracted senior Ngāpuhi executive and management candidates from throughout Aotearoa and off-shore.

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